

***IN THE SPECIFICATION:***

Page 1, line 6, please add:

**TECHNICAL FIELD**

Page 1, line 12, please add:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Page 1, line 17, (the Applicant notes that the following paragraphs were submitted in response to the Written Opinion and attached to the IPRP, the Applicant repeats them herein out of an abundance of caution), please add:

Japanese patent document having a publication number 2002090095, discloses an apparatus for removing a mine buried under the ground surface. The apparatus includes a composite rotor having a plurality of generally coaxial rollers loosely located with lost motion in a radial direction over a fixed axis shaft mounted on, so as spatially to lead, a vehicle. The rollers can individually follow contours, hollows, humps, etc. to trigger landmines. Behind the rotor there is provided a protective plate screening the landmine blast and protecting the vehicle and an occupant.

Japanese Patent document having a publication number 2002340499, discloses a rotor including a plurality of blades. The rotor is rotated to cause the blades to cut into a ground surface to destroy mines. A curved safety cover is provided over the rotor to protect the vehicle and a driver from sand, mud and landmine fragments. A lower level grader-like blade deflects sand, mud and mine fragments laterally to provide a smooth running surface for the vehicle. It is

notable that the vehicle is not intended to trigger landmines to explode, but to destroy landmines before explosion. The inventor thus did not anticipate landmine explosions and resulting shock waves.

United States Patent No. 5442990 discloses a scarifying drum leading a track vehicle to explode landmines. A flap is provided over the drum to act as a shield.

### **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

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These and other features of the present application will become apparent to one of ordinary skill in the art upon review of the following detailed description when taken in conjunction with the drawings and the appended claims.

### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Page 5, line 13, please add:

### **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**

Page 12, line 6, please add:

It should be apparent that the foregoing relates only to the preferred embodiments of the present application and that numerous changes and modifications may be made herein without departing from the general spirit and scope of the invention as defined by the following claims and the equivalents thereof.